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**Dr. Jonathan Swift, was inducted into the International Institute's Hall of Fame**

**Picture on the front cover**

**Tarik Daoud, President International Institute Foundation**

**Awardee-Co-director of International Relations, Madonna University  
Dr. Jonathan Swift**

**Edward L. Haroutunian  
Heritage Hall of Fame  
Chairman**

**Jonathan Swift, Ph.D. achieves 1500 T.V. programs and is inducted into Hall of Fame**

Madonna administrator and television host, Dr. Jonathan Swift, was inducted into the International Institute's Hall of Fame in November. He will join a prestigious roster of individuals who have become valued citizens of this great nation. Founder of the nationally known School of Global Education, a school-within-a-school in the Livonia Public Schools, Dr. Swift is also celebrating having completed 1,500 televised programs, introducing us to interesting and renowned personalities through his televised series "*Global Connections*", keeping us up to date on opera in another series "*Time Out for Opera*" in conjunction with The Michigan Opera Theatre, and then introducing us to new gastronomic delights while taking us on a virtual tour of local restaurants through his series "*Dining Out with Jonathan Swift*." "*Dining Out*" has run for ten years, and for several of these, the program has aired on

WTVS-TV (PBS - Detroit).

Dr. Swift has interviewed a broad range of internationally renowned personages from Indira Gandhi (in India) to Yoko

guished guests from the world of fashion, design, music, art, medicine and politics.

Dr. Swift came to the United States from Scotland where he was born and educated prior to earning both his Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Wayne State University, followed by a Fulbright Scholarship in vocal music at the Conservatoire National in Paris, and a Ph.D. from Michigan State University.

Once a celebrated Opera singer, performer and recording artist, Dr. Swift now serves on the Boards of the Michigan Opera Theatre and the International Visitors Council of Metropolitan Detroit. He resides in Birmingham where he continues to spend his spare time writing reviews and contributing to professional books and journals.

**Cover picture chosen by: Dr. Nolan & Dr. Andonian**



Ono (artist, humanitarian), Luciano Pavarotti (recording and opera star), Michael York, Roddy McDowell, Valerie Harper and Marilu Henner, (film, TV and theatre actors), to national celebrities such as Elmore Leonard (best-selling novelist), and a host of other distin-

## A French Pilgrimage



This picture was taken in front of the Cathedral of the Lady of Lourdes (Lourdes, France) along the River Gave.

People in the picture: L to R Fellow pilgrim Richard, Madonna adjunct faculty Brother Jim O'Brien, nursing student Colleen Barnes, Dean College of Nursing and Health Dr. Teresa Thompson, nursing faculty Pat De Guia and nursing student Melissa Rich.

It was a 10-day life-changing pilgrimage to a beautiful place, Lourdes, France, a small town in Southern France where the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to 14-yr old Bernadette Soubirous several times in a landfill grotto (rock) in 1848. Thousands of people from different parts of the world, young and old, sick and healthy, come to this sacred place where praying, sharing and caring takes place everyday. We joined 2 processions daily, prayed the Hail Mary in

6 different languages with hundreds of fellow pilgrims who came to pay homage and pray to the Blessed Virgin Mary of the Immaculate Conception, sang in the International Choir, and attended daily mass. We also had a chance to spend a day in Gavarnie, a famous village in the Pyrenees Mountains where you can find the highest waterfall in Europe, and Jean De Luz, a lovely resort on the Riviera.

The two nursing students

Melissa and Colleen helped the sick pilgrims by pushing their wheelchairs and attending to their needs everyday beginning at 8:30 in the morning, through the 9 pm candlelight procession. Lourdes is an amazing place, where overwhelming devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and love and concern for others are felt and shared everyday. Great joy and peace are felt and stay in your heart forever.

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## My Italian Adventure

By: Gina Guerriero

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Ever since I was born my family has always embraced our Italian heritage; eating plenty of pasta and having a big family isn't the only requirement for being Italian, but it is certainly the best part. My grandparents were fresh off the boat from Italy and my father can speak fluent Italian, which I always wanted to learn growing up.

In 2009, I got my first chance to go to Italy with several of my fellow high school classmates and two teachers. I was more than excited to go visit the country my family was from and get to see some of the

amazing sights that Italy has to offer. Unfortunately, the first day I got very sick and missed out on a lot during the trip, it wasn't until the day I got home from my 9 day trip that I was fully recuperated.

Since 2009, I have been dying to go back to Italy and I finally decided that the summer of 2011 was the time to fulfill my dreams. As a criminal justice student with two jobs I was reluctant to go at first because speaking Italian is not a high priority in the U.S. and I knew I was going to have to quit my jobs to be able to stay in Italy for 8 weeks. My parents were not very thrilled by the idea of being away for so long but they realized it was an opportunity of a lifetime.

After researching study abroad opportunities online I found a program called SAI.

This program set everything up for me including my home stay, Italian classes and they would transfer my credits to a U.S. institute so that Madonna would accept them. Study Abroad Italy (SAI), offers



Meeting new people in my class helped tremendously because they were in the same situation, beginners in the Italian language and completely lost in the city. Every day became a new adventure I

would make my way from my home stay to the city center on the bus then I would wander around the area picking up an espresso and cor-

netto several locations throughout Italy, one of those is in Rome. Of course I had no idea what I was getting myself into but I wanted to be able to completely immerse myself into the cultural life of this magnificent capital and that's exactly what I did.

My first week in Rome was a little overwhelming, I got lost too many times to count, and because of this I was forced to learn the bus route rather quickly. My school was located in the heart of Rome which isn't the smallest city. I wouldn't have made it to my first class if one of my classmates hadn't found me on the street searching for my school. Only knowing a handful of words my first week I was still able to get by because the people are so friendly and they will proceed to help you however they can.

(delicious Italian breakfast) and then head to school. After class we would walk around and get to know the area usually stopping for lunch and gelato in the process.

My favorite part of Rome is the fact that you can just wander aimlessly and stumble on the most beautiful buildings. The Italian culture is so enticing it just consumes you, and you start to blend into the culture without even realizing it.

Rome just happened to be hosting the 2011 World Volleyball championship this year and I didn't realize how incredible it was until I found myself watching the United States - Brazil match for the World Championship. The U.S. sadly lost but I did get to watch some great volleyball and meet Kerri Walsh.

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One of my favorite lunches that I had in Rome was when one of my friends and I decided to go to the grocery store to get some bread, meat, cheese, and a couple peaches. We had a nice lunch sitting in front of the Trevi Fountain, one of the best and most inexpensive meals with a great view. As a student it was not hard living on a budget while I was over there, and I quickly learned that making pasta or gnocchi at home was another inexpensive way to enjoy Italian food.

Of course my favorite aspect of staying in Italy was that I could travel throughout Italy rather easily, and lucky for me the people I met wanted to travel as well. Since classes were Monday through Friday we only had a limited time to travel so we made the most out of every weekend.

The first place we went was Florence: its small city feel and big atmosphere instantly captured us. It was easy to get caught up in all the beautiful art Florence has to offer including the most well known

statue, The David, by Michelangelo. We only spent one day in Florence but we did it all including shopping on Ponte Vecchio, and taking in the sights of the Basilica di Santa Maria del Fiore.

Next stop was Venice, which is my favorite city in the world. Venice's beautiful waterways and history make this city one of the most unique cities I have ever been to. Being a criminal justice student I had a blast touring

the Doge's Palace and getting to walk across the Bridge of Sighs which connects the jail to the palace and courtroom.

Being in Italy, the birthplace of good vino we decided to do a wine tasting tour through Tuscany and we were literally caught off guard by the beau-



tiful sights that Tuscany has to offer. After visiting the only place where Brunello wine is made and trying a few different Brunello wines, we headed to the small city of Montepulciano to visit a different winery and take in the small hilltop city that was bursting with culture.

Our last weekend trip we decided to leave the country of Italy and head directly to the heart of France. Paris was absolutely breathtaking with

its magnificent city, perfect weather, and amazing landmarks everywhere we walked. We only stayed there for two nights but we crammed a lot into a short amount of time, including standing at the top of the Eiffel Tower, walking by the famous Louvre Museum, and seeing Notre Dame. Although I loved Paris and it was nice exploring somewhere totally new, I couldn't wait to get back to Italy.

My parents met me after my six weeks of studying was over and let's just say that if it wasn't for Skype it would have been a long 6 weeks! When they arrived I was able to get them into my routine of walking everywhere, taking the bus, and that lasted all of two days. They were not used to the hot Roman sun and

walking miles every day so I gave in and finally took a taxi. I was able to guide them around Rome, showing them all of my favorite places

and famous sights including the Vatican, Vittoriano, Trevi Fountain and the Pantheon

After 8 weeks I left Italy with 6 college credits, a lot more Italian language than I knew before my trip, about 2,000 photos capturing my memories and overall the greatest experience of my life. This opportunity opened my eyes to all of the places throughout the world that are out there waiting to be explored.

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# Annual Diplomatic Reception



Msgr. Charles Kosanke discusses the Vatican Libraries with U.K Consul Nicholas Stasevich



Host Dr. Jonathan Swift, Sr. Rose and former Trustee Tarik Daoud



Dr. Ernest Nolan reminisces about his trip to Syria with Syrian Consul



Consuls from Iraq and Mexico



Sr. Rose Marie talks with Michigan Opera General Director Dr. David DiChiera about his productions



Provost and V-P. Ernest Nolan discusses international best selling author Tom Grace's new novel with comments by Tom's wife



Former Congressman Joe Knollenburg lectures on the latest news from Congress



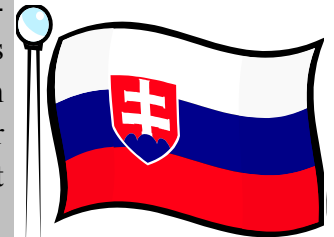
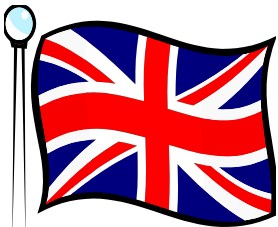
Sister meets the new Deputy Mexican Consul



Consuls of Syria and Iraq meet informally

## About The Annual Diplomatic Reception

Each year, the University invites a group of people who can be instrumental in widening the perceptions of Madonna University as a hub of global activities. These guests come to the home of the Co-Director of the Center for International Relations, Dr. Jonathan Swift. The event is deliberately informal. For the foreign consuls, the Madonna University leaders of studies abroad and other guests, this is an opportunity to exchange views, discuss projects, and make suggestions for change. It is important for the community to become familiar with the various diplomatic representatives stationed in the Michigan and Ohio area. It is also an opportunity for faculty members to discuss with official foreign government representatives the pressing issues of the day and exchange views on potential solutions to troubling conditions. It is here that official representatives of such countries as Iraq, Chile, Syria, Lebanon and others can express their points of view for the benefit of other guests.



### International Students from Spain

Madonna University is pleased to have had the pleasure of having two international students from Spain: Jaun Ucedo and Raquel Alonso. They attended Madonna University during the 2011 Fall semester. Juan's current major is Broadcast and Cinema Arts. He hopes to move to Hollywood to be a

famous movie director. In Spain, he worked as a teacher and was a summer camp counselor. Juan likes to work with children and teens. He has been to Peru and many other countries in Europe. Juan liked his classes at Madonna because he could borrow the school's video equip-

He likes eating American food items such as hamburgers and pizza. In his free time he enjoys journal writing and taking photos. He thinks "everyone at Madonna is very nice and friendly".

Raquel is majoring in interpretation and translation. She hopes

to become an ESL and Spanish language teacher in the future. Raquel has also been all over Europe and lived in New York City as a child. She liked her classes at Madonna, but missed being able to use public transportation.

Raquel says she likes American food because ".... It can also

be found in Spain due to globalization". In her free time, Raquel enjoys reading and watching soccer. She does not like American football because she feels the game it moves too slowly.

The next day featured even more international presentations. There were hour-long talks on the “Herbs of the Kasbah,” “Herbs of Hawaii,” and “Herbs of the Andes.”

### "Something Different" by; Marian Woyciehowicz Gonsior

The International Herb Association Conference was held in Midland, Michigan in July of this year. The Association, which has been in existence since 1985, is most famous for being the group that annually announces the global herb of the year. In 2012, the herb of the year is going to be the rose.

The conference was held at the NADA Hotel and Conference Center on the campus of Northwood University in Midland. One of the most interesting presentations that day was from Arlene Shannon, the former owner of Greenfield Herb Farm in Shipshewana, Indiana. She spoke on the history of herbs, from ancient Egypt to modern time. As can be imagined, it was quite an extensive talk. The last presentation of the day, however, included an international twist, and featured

several different herbalists making herbal recipes from around the world. This was great because it included tastings of every recipe made during the demonstrations. I made sure I was in the front row, so that I was able to see and sample everything. We feasted on treats such as “Persian Advieh Spice Blend,” “Fresh Tomato Italian Bread Pizza,” and “Guadalajara-Style Guacamole” (my personal favorite!). The lone recipe I didn’t care for was “Banana Salsa.” Mixing bananas with red and green bell peppers and cilantro did not, in my mind, create a very tasty snack.

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attention was the “tree tomato” (*Cyphomandra beta-cea*) which grows up to fifteen feet tall and produces chicken-egg sized fruit. Another presentation was a report about a USAID-funded project to Jamaica. The presenter actually helped with the design and construction of solar dryers for cocoa beans in that country, with the hopes of providing an alternative/more cost effective means of processing the beans. During his two-week stay in Jamaica he worked with members of the Jamaican Cocoa Farmers Association to build two of the 30 feet by 50 feet structures. This was a wonderful global experience for me without traveling very far.

### Germans visit SWEEP

By: Dr. James Novak

In June, I hosted a group of 20 visitors from Tübingen, Germany, in the classrooms of Madonna University’s SWEEP facility in southwest Detroit. The event was a lecture called Re-Imagining Detroit, presented by author and journalist John Gallagher. The lecture at SWEEP was one stop on a bus (and bicycle) tour of Detroit. These events were part of the Sister City exchange between Tübingen and Ann

Arbor, also known as the *Freunde der Städtepartnerschaft Tübingen-Ann Arbor*. The visitors were urban planners, architects, and city officials from Tübingen, plus a number of their counterparts from Ann Arbor. I said a few words of greeting (in English!) and talked about Madonna University and our work in southwest Detroit. John Gallagher had recently been in Germany, and the exchange of

ideas in the classroom that afternoon was cordial, and lively. I was also able to show the visitors our new facilities at SWEEP, where our newly constructed classrooms are in a 100-year old building originally designed by noted Detroit architect Albert Kahn; as it happened, the visitors’ previous stop on their bus tour was the offices of Kahn & Associates!



## “HELP for Haiti- A Window on the World – Educating Haitians for Haiti” – by Valerie M. Oltmanns

Nothing Sr. Rose Marie Kujawa, President of Madonna University, had read or heard could have truly prepared her for what she saw and experienced in Haiti.

Driving through the streets of Port-au-Prince, Haiti, in the summer of 2010, her nose filled with the acrid smell of sewage. Her ears pulsed with the cries of children. Her eyes welled with tears as they absorbed images of destruction and dire poverty. And her heart ached for the people of Haiti, many living in deplorable conditions wrought by the earthquake of 2010 and a string of subsequent crises.

The tent cities, the sagging buildings, and the rubble and debris lining the roads spoke to Sister Rose Marie not only of a Haitian population in crisis, but of a Haitian population unable to stem the crises. Even more disturbing, she saw signs of resigned acceptance – born out of hopelessness, born out of futility.

It was in those moments – struck as she was by the plight of an impoverished and imperiled people that Sister Rose Marie’s vision for change first began to take shape.

Sister Rose Marie Kujawa, President of Madonna University, a Felician-sponsored university in Livonia, Michigan had come to explore the viability of establishing a distance learning program in Haiti at the request of the Felician Sisters of North America.



She had come to Haiti with merely an idea.

She left Haiti nine days later with a comprehensive vision for change – a long-range vision for effecting positive change from within Haiti itself.

She came away convinced that education was the key to creating a new generation of indigenous leaders in Haiti, so essential to rebuilding that country. But she also knew that the educational program that she envisioned was an ambitious one – one that posed considerable logistical, cultural, technological, and

administrative hurdles. Sister Rose Marie knew that implementation would require a massive team effort on the part of Madonna University’s faculty and administration. She did not yet know how a team would

react to the plan. She did not even know if it would be possible to mount such an effort.

Yet she returned to campus undaunted by the sheer enormity of the project. She remained undaunted, propelled by the sheer enormity of the suffering she had witnessed.

The result was a program and a campus response beyond imagining. In the summer of 2010, Sister Rose Marie could not have imagined that, in less than a

year, Madonna University would not only embrace the idea but would spearhead the launch of HELP – the Haiti Education Leadership Program – a distance learning project designed to give Haitians the opportunity to earn a Madonna University degree as they developed the expertise, skills, and leadership abilities need to effect positive change in their own lives as well as in the life of their country.

It would be the only degree completion, distance learning program of its kind in Haiti - inspired by the Felician Sisters, imbued with the Felician Franciscan values, and created, directed, and implemented by a Felician Franciscan university, Madonna University.

**(This excerpt originally appeared in the Summer 2011 issue of The Felician. It is printed with permission from the magazine The Felician of the Felician Franciscan Sisters of North America).**

## PAH Festival – Hollywood

## Sue Boyd

Ongoing advances in digital technology promise to swing open the storytelling doors to all who step through. But many are afraid, or simply lack the skills to take that step. Even though we are surrounded by technology, many of us are still uncomfortable making full use of what this new media has to offer. Others could be left behind due to economic factors. Project Accessible Hollywood (PAH) seeks to educate people and communities on using simple digital media while encouraging them to express themselves artistically.

For the past 6 years, Madonna University has been a part of a digital film festival called Project Accessible Hollywood (PAH). The festival was founded by Christopher Coppola (nephew of famed filmmaker Francis Ford Coppola) and engages people of all ages to produce stories and art using cell phones and digital cameras.

PAH-FEST is a week-long, digital media festival, traveling to cities throughout the US and internationally. The PAH-FEST encourages visual storytelling, fosters civic engagement, and promotes the production of fictional and documentary videos, which will be shared and enjoyed globally. People from all walks of life, with engaging story ideas, are provided with digital equipment and a professional “helping hand,” enabling them to create their own short digital films.

This year as in the past, Madonna University sent 11 students to Hollywood to work PAHfest Hollywood and learn more about the film industry first hand. One student who joined us, Juan Ucedo Laorden is a guest student from Spain. This was his first trip to Hollywood and he had the opportunity to produce an 8 minute documentary during the festival. His highlight was

Paramount Studios who produced a custom sound track for the documentary.

While in Hollywood, students

had a lot of opportunities to be immersed in the film culture. Field trips included a stop at Raleigh Studios on Melrose, originally founded as the Famous Players Fiction Studio in 1912; it is the oldest independent studio in continuous operation. The students had the chance to walk along the wooden sidewalks where Charlie Chaplin, Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks, Sr. got their start. It was the filming site for such classic movies as "In the Heat of the Night," with Rod Steiger and Sidney Poitier (which won the Oscar for Best Picture of 1967), "The Best Years of Our Lives" (the Best Picture of 1946), "What Ever Happened to Baby Jane" (1962, with Bette Davis and Joan Crawford) and the original "A Star is Born" (1937) with Janet Gaynor. The students also took pictures at the historic Studio Café was originally built as a set for the Frank Sinatra Western *Johnny Concho*.

Other activities included learning seminars with people in the film industry, hands - on experience helping other people film and edit their digital projects and a grand closing night ceremony with giant Klieg lights lighting up the sky. Of course, many of the tourist hot spots were visited by the group including the large Hollywood sign, wax museums and the Hollywood Walk of Fame.



**Our Students Thank You! By: Dr. C. Andonian, Co-Director  
Center for International Relations**

This has been a rewarding year for many Madonna University students. A number of students have benefitted from scholarships that will help them to continue their education or to provide them with the chance to travel or study abroad. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the individuals and organizations that have provided these exceptional opportunities for our students.



On September 27, 2011, the Mexican Consul, Vicente Sanchez Ventura, presented a check to Sister Rose Marie on behalf of the Mexican Consulate. This is the second year in a row that the Mexican Consulate has provided scholarship funding for students of Mexican origin at Madonna University. The current recipient of the scholarship is a single mother who has maintained a 3.0 GPA. Without this financial support, many deserving students would not be able to continue their education.



In November 2011, the Honorary South Korean Consul,

David Roden, and the Center for International Relations arranged an unpaid internship for Maren You, a psychology student at Madonna. Maren will be coordinating events for the S. Korean Consul and the

Korean Cultural Center in Southfield, MI during Winter Semester 2012. In addition to the internship, the Consul is providing two scholarships to

Madonna University students to be used for travel/study abroad programs next year.

In January 2013, Five Madonna students will apply to participate in the Irish American Scholars Program

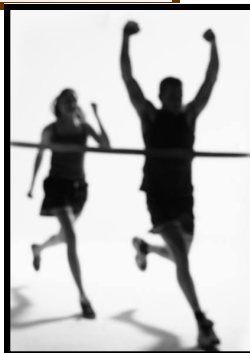
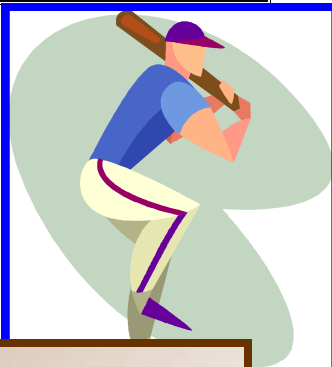
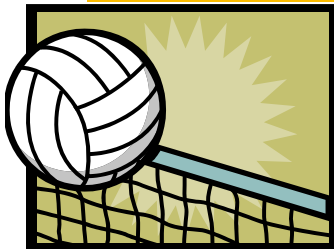
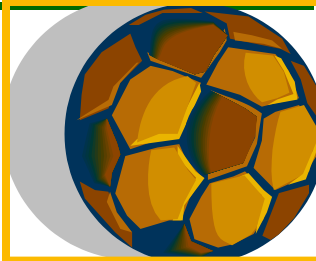
2013 academic year. The Irish American Scholars Program is part of a reciprocal agreement between the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities in Washington DC and the Association of

Presbyterian Colleges & Universities and the United Methodist Church-related Colleges & Universities. Since Madonna University has offered tuition scholarships to three Irish students in the past, the Center for International Relations will now be able to nominate American students for a full tuition scholarship at one of the participating Northern Ireland universities:

Queens University Belfast, The University of Ulster, St. Mary's University College, Stranmillis University College, and Belfast metropolitan College. Good luck to all of the applicants!

**Dr. Swift, Sr. Rose Marie, Dr. Nolan & Consul General of Mexico- Vicente Sanchez Ventura**

**Dr. Andonian and South Korean Consul -David Roden**



## “Athletic News”

**By: Patrick Moore, Director of Sports Information**

We join the Madonna University Athletic Department in celebrating the academic successes of our student-athletes thus far this fall.

As a department, we had 12 student-athletes earn academic all-conference honors from the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. In addition to the academic all-conference honorees, 10 student-athletes were selected as National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Daktronics Scholar-Athletes.

Finally, we had a pair of student-athletes earn Capital One Academic All-America honors as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America. The Capital One Academic All-America award is one of the highest that a student-athlete can earn during his or her career.

Women’s soccer senior Diana Brda (psychology) was named to the Academic All-America second team and volleyball senior Karie Altman (biology) became Madonna University’s first-ever Academic All-America first team selection.

To be eligible for the Capital One Academic All-America Team, student-athletes must be nominated by their school’s sports information director as well as be a starter of key reserve, a sophomore academically and athletically as well as possess a 3.3 GPA or higher.

Since the program’s inception

in 1952, CoSIDA has bestowed Academic All-America honors on more than 14,000 student-athletes in Divisions I, II, III and NAIA, covering all NCAA championship sports.

### **Academic All-WHAC Selections**

*3.25 GPA or better and a junior or senior academically*

#### **Women’s Cross Country**

Kari Saarela (nursing)

Cassie Yarnall (sign language studies)

#### **Men’s Cross Country**

Tim Boes (social work)

#### **Women’s Soccer**

Diana Brda (psychology)

Jackie Vaquera (pre-medicine)

Chelsea Gregg (fashion merchandising)

Nicole Rodriguez (general science)

Chelsea Shrewsbury (business)

Chelsey Budlong (nursing)

#### **Volleyball**

Karie Altman (biology)

Anastasija Baranovska (English)

Amanda Koszela (math / elementary education)

### **NAIA Scholar-Athletes**

*3.5 GPA or better and a junior or senior academically*

#### **Women’s Cross Country**

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#### **Capital One Academic All-America**

Karie Altman – Volleyball first team

Diana Brda – Women’s soccer second team

Athletes from Abroad



Men's Soccer

**Nigeria**

Mustapha Olorunnimbe (Lagos) – all-conference second team (2010)

**England**

Joe Carver (Royston) – all-conference first team (2011)

**Canada**

Franco Giorgi (Windsor, Ont.) – all-conference second team (2011)

Cayle Lackten (Sydney, Nova Scotia)

Women's Soccer

**Canada**

Monique DeGrandis (LaSalle, Ont.)

Ashley Parent (Amherstburg, Ont.) – all-conference first team (2011)

Men's Basketball

**England**

Eoghann Stephens (Liss)

Baseball

**Canada**

Daniel Campos (Mississauga,

Ont.)

Matthew Cook (Dresden, Ont.)

Tyler Schofield (Windsor, Ont.)

Volleyball

Anastasija Seremetjeva (Riga, Latvia)

Anastasija Baranovska (Riga, Latvia) – all-conference first team, academic all-conference, NAIA Scholar-Athlete (2011)



**Anastaija Baranovska—  
Riga, Latvia**



**Monique DeGrandis  
LaSalle, Ont.**



**Eoghann Stephens  
Liss, England**



**Cayle Lackten -Sydney,  
Nova Scotia**



**Mustapha Olorunnimbe-Lagos, Nigeria**



**Franco Giorgi  
Windsor, Ont.**



**Ashley Parent  
Amherstburg, Ont.**



**Joe Caver  
Royston, England**



**Anadstasija Seremetjeva  
Riga, Latvia**



## Study Abroad Programs for Diamond Jubilee Year 2011-2012

### Short Travel/Study Programs

#### **London-Paris** (HUM, ENG, HIS, MM, HMG)

March 1 – thru March 11 2012

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#### **Costa Rica** (SPA, ENV, BIO, HUM, SSC)

March 2- March 10

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#### **Lourdes Pilgrimage** (NUR, HSP)

June 2012

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#### **Rome and Assisi Pilgrimage** (RST)

Dec. 27, 2011 – Jan. 6, 2012

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### Semester Abroad

**Ankara, Turkey** MATESOL Practicum at TOBB University  
(2013)

**Birthright Armenia + The Armenian Volunteer Core**  
(2013)



## **Study Abroad Programs for the Academic Year 2013-2014**

**Lourdes Pilgrimage** (Summer 2013)

**Rome and Assisi Pilgrimage**

(Christmas 2013)

**London-Paris:** 2 programs – Humanities/  
Business - Spring Break (2013)

**Abbey Program, Pontlevoy, Fr.** - Freshman  
Trip (2013)

**Poland & the Czech Republic** (Spring 2013)

**China** (Spring/Summer 2013)

**Japan** Faculty trip (July 2013)

**Costa Rica** (2014) - 2 programs – Hum. /  
Criminal Justice

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**The F.A.T.E (Financial Award for Travel and Education) Award**

Each year, the University President allocates a certain amount of money to be used to assist capable students who wish to study abroad. This modest sum assists undergraduate students who wish to go overseas on a recommended program

of two weeks to a year’s duration. The conditions of the awards are determined by the Advisory Committee to Co-Director Jonathan Swift of the Center for International Relations.



**“The Sixth Annual Golden Cedar Awards (the Pillar of Baalbek)”**

Each year, the Lebanese Chamber of Commerce holds a reception to honor those who have shone a light on Lebanon and its peoples. This year the global honorees were Pope John Paul II (posthumously) and international television’s Geraldo Rivera. Accepting for his Holiness was Edmund Cardinal Szoka. Madonna University’s Provost and Vice-President for Academic Administration Dr. Ernest Nolan introduced the Cardinal with a short history of his connection to Detroit. Later Dr. Jonathan Swift met with the awardees and arranged a television interview with the Cardinal who has a strong connection to Madonna University. One of the guests was the well-known television journalist anchor for Lebanese television Mirna Makhouh. Chairing the entire event was John Akouri who is a Counselor in Madonna University’s Council for International Education.





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